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SCORE KILLED WHEN GERMAN FLEET ATTACKS DUNKIRK; GALLIPOLI FORTS CAPTURED; BRITISH SHIPS SUNK

THREE YOUNG WOMEN, ESCAPED FROM REFORMATORY, TRAMP 60 MILES AND HIDE IN THIS CITY

Police Take Them Into Custody In Middle Street Hotel Owing to Peculiar Actions and Discover They're Wanted in Bedford Hills, N. Y.

Two of Them Victims of Drugs, the Third of Drink—Found Wearing Part of Institution Uniform and Other Cast Off Clothing.

Escaped from a New York state reformatory, three young women wearing part of the black and white striped uniforms, that they had worn while under restraint, arrived in this city Wednesday after tramping more than 60 miles through swamps and brush and over back roads. They are being held at police headquarters, as a result of their arrest on a technical charge this morning on Middle street, where they have been staying.

The girls are Ida Oakley, aged 24, a Connecticut woman, whose married name is Mrs. Matthew Winslow; Mildred Doyle, aged 24, a tall, striking brunette of New York; and Alice Kilkenny, who is married to a man in Brooklyn and who has a child and another due.

One of the girls was committed for a tendency to be attracted to sparkling vintages and the others are "dope" users.

Ida Oakley says she is the wife of a man who was formerly superintendent of a reformatory, Conn. He was shot, but she hasn't lived with him for several years. She was committed to the Bedford Hills reformatory for women and she later escaped. She was caught and recommitment.

Mildred Doyle was committed because she was addicted to using narcotics. Alice Kilkenny went to the institution for the same thing. She says her husband taught her the vice, but she says she's cured. So is Mildred, she says. She says she has a husband and a child, and also a mother who will come and get her. In the institution as a result of their good behavior during the last few weeks, but last week they were put under the strict rules for some minor infractions of discipline. They were not given a hearing by Miss Moore, the head of the institution, and they demanded one. When it was refused, they contrived to escape.

They did escape, leaving the institution in their reformatory garb. Through swamp land, marshes, brush and woods, they made their way into Connecticut and toward Bridgeport. On the way they picked up various articles of clothing, which they say were given them, and arrived here Wednesday, one wearing part of a man's suit and the others wearing combinations of the reformatory and the newly-acquired garments.

They went to a hotel on Middle street, where they were made the object of police surveillance. This morning policeman Edward Wheeler and Sergeant James Ramsey arrested them on a technical charge of breach of the peace.

Alice Kilkenny said this morning that she'd rather serve 10 years in Connecticut than three months in New York. The trio still have three years to serve.

The institution was communicated with on the telephone this morning by detectives and Miss Moore, the head of the place, urged the girls to come back. They won't go, however, without extradition. Each one told Miss Moore that she was willing to go, but the others weren't.

The officials of the institution have been notified that they must forward extradition papers within 24 hours, or the girls will be released from custody.

One of the girls called Captain George H. Arnold "Daddy" this morning and she thought him a nice old man. They told him that bloodhounds had been put on their track by officials of the institution, but that is taken as an effervescence resulting from the last "shot of dope."

**HOUSE MAY HEAR
CAPT. R. P. HOBSON**

Hartford, April 30.—Former Congressman Richmond Pearson Hobson, who is to tour the State, will visit the House next Tuesday and may be invited to address the members. He is campaigning for the prohibition movement.

The proposed prohibition amendment to be reported in the House soon provides that liquors shall not be manufactured or sold in the state after January, 1920.

WEATHER FORECAST
Cloudy tonight and Saturday; probably with local showers. Moderate, variable winds.

LITTLE DAUGHTER PREVENTS INVALID PEDDLER'S SUICIDE

Suffering From Rheumatism He Slashes Throat—Child Grabs Arm and Screams.

The 13 year old daughter of George Sakalles, aged 49, a peddler or peanut and bananas, saved him from killing himself this morning when he cut his throat with a razor. She grabbed his arm and screamed until a policeman came, preventing him from completely severing the jugular vein. Tired of going to work every morning, suffering intense torture from rheumatism, Sakalles stayed at home this morning and planned to kill himself. He told his family he was going to commit suicide and instructed them to inform his uncle of his death. The he went to a toilet in the rear of his home at 15 Sullivan Lane and tried to end his life.

Sakalles slashed his throat once with a razor, partly severing the jugular vein. His daughter, Sarandona, ran to him and grasped his arm. Her screams aided by those of the rest of the family brought Policeman Edward Wheeler and he held Sakalles until the ambulance corps arrived. Sakalles was taken to St. Vincent's hospital.

Although he is in a precarious condition, it was said at the hospital this afternoon that he will not die. The act of his daughter in stopping him from cutting himself the second time is responsible for saving his life.

HUSBAND IN PRISON AS BIGAMIST, SHE OBTAINS DIVORCE

Said She Was Married 10 Days Before She Was Confronted by Wife No. 1.

Proving that her husband is now in the state prison at Wethersfield, serving a sentence for bigamy, Maggie Collier Martin of Elm street, this afternoon was granted a divorce from John W. Martin by Judge Williams, in the superior court. Mrs. Martin testified that she married the defendant August 3, 1914, in the office of Justice Abe Geduldig. She did not until ten days later, when she was confronted by the first Mrs. Martin, know that her husband was a bigamist.

Some of the neighbors then told her they had known Martin had another wife. The plaintiff left Martin immediately after she discovered he was a bigamist and he was arrested by the local police. The second Mrs. Martin is a good looking woman about 39 years old.

GRAPHOPHONE CO. PRESIDENT DEAD

New York, April 30.—Edward D. Easton, president of the Columbia Graphophone Co. and a pioneer in the development of the talking machine, died today at his home in Arcolia, N. J., of a complication of diseases. He was 59 years old.

Bishop Brewster Here Sunday For Confirmation Rite

Rev. Canon B. Brewster, bishop of Connecticut, on Sunday will officiate at the confirmation of the Episcopalian churches of this city. A class of 30 will be confirmed at the morning session of St. Paul's church, another confirmation with a large number attending will be held at Trinity church in the afternoon and a third at St. George's church in the evening.

EX-POSTMASTER LETTERS, OF PUTNAM, SUCCEMBS

Putnam, Conn., April 30.—Frank G. Letters, who retired as postmaster after twenty years of service, died at his home here today of pneumonia. He was vice-president of the Putnam Savings Bank and head of a music house which bears his name. He was 49 years old and is survived by his widow, son and daughter.

TENER DECLARES BENNY KAUFF IS INELIGIBLE NOW

Head of National League Wires Federals That Jumper is Barred.

PLAYER WIRES FOR HIS REINSTATEMENT

Legal Fight May Follow Actions of Former Bridgeporter.

New York, April 30.—President John K. Tener, of the National League, today officially notified Robert P. Ward, president of the Brooklyn Federal league club, that Kauff would not be permitted to play in the National league at this time. His telegram to Mr. Ward was as follows:

"Answering your wire of yesterday relative to the Kauff incident you are apprised that the player in question will not be permitted to play in National league at this time."

Several clubs and leagues interested in the playing services of Benny Kauff, whose appearance in a New York National league club uniform at the Polo Grounds yesterday caused a baseball sensation, played a waiting game today. It was stated at the headquarters of the various organizations involved in the dispute over the leading batter of the Federal league that there were no new developments of importance in the situation and that Kauff's status as a player under contract would have to be decided from a legal standpoint.

Secretary Heydler, speaking for President Tener, of the National league, said that the executive of the senior baseball organization had ruled that yesterday's game between New York and Boston clubs won by Boston 13 to 8, was a contest regularly scheduled and played.

Secretary Foster, of the New York club, said today that when such a decision was officially received by his club the game would be protested.

Regarding the playing status of Kauff, Mr. Foster said that it was the intention of the New York club that Kauff was the property of the Giants as a result of the agreement entered into between the New York club and the Indianapolis club of the American association last September.

According to Secretary Heydler, the first step toward fixing Kauff's status in organized baseball was made yesterday when the player personally wired to the headquarters of the National Commission requesting that he be restored to good standing by that body. Formal and written application for Kauff's reinstatement is being prepared at the National league headquarters today.

T. W. COOK WILL BE GRAND MARSHAL OF MEMORIAL PARADE

Names Captain F. J. Breckbill As Chief of Staff For Annual Pageant.

Thomas W. Cook of Oroquoque has been chosen grand marshal of the Memorial day parade. Today he issued his first order naming Capt. F. J. Breckbill as chief of staff. It is expected the parade this year will be much larger than usual. The marshal and his chief of staff immediately will begin the selection of the marshals of the various divisions and the arrangements of the route which the parade is to cover.

Mr. Cook is a civil war veteran, and is rated among the best informed members of the Senate and he is to make a department of labor by consolidation of the present bureau of labor statistics and the state factory inspectors department. It provides for one commissioner whose term shall be four years and whose title shall be that of commissioner of labor and factory inspection. All powers of the present labor commissioner and factory inspector are vested in the new commissioner.

PRESIDENT NAMES DELANEY AS P. M. AT NEW BRITAIN

Washington, April 30.—President Wilson today appointed William F. Delaney to be postmaster at New Britain, Conn.

Mr. Delaney is former town chairman of the Democratic party of New Britain.

DAY'S WAR NEWS IN A NUTSHELL

German warship fleet bombards Dunkirk, France. Nineteen large calibre shells dropped on town, killing 20, wounding 45, and demolishing many houses.

Zeppelins or aeroplanes in another night raid on east coast of England. Historic town of Ipswich attacked and material damage done. No lives lost.

The Hamburg-American liner Macedonia, which escaped from Las Palmas on March 30, after interning there on November 30, reported captured by a British cruiser.

British trawler Lily Dale sunk by submarine; crew saved. British coal steamer Mobile sunk by submarine. Crew saved.

Allies claim capture of Gallipoli, on the European side of Dardanelles, after furious land and sea attack.

Germans begin new offensive attack along Vistula. Fighting around Yser Canal continues with fury.

GERMAN AIRMEN SHELL U. S. SHIP

London, April 30.—The Reuter Telegram Company has received a despatch from its correspondent at Rotterdam saying that the American steamer Cushing, from Philadelphia, arrived at Rotterdam today and reports having been attacked by German airmen in the North Sea last Wednesday.

WHITMAN STILL THINKS G. O. P. IN NEW YORK NEEDS RENOVATING

Albany, April 30.—Governor Whitman today declared that the letter written by him and introduced at the Roosevelt-Barnes libel trial was given out by him last July. "That letter expressed my sentiments then," he said, "and I would write the same now."

In the letter, which was addressed to Charles M. Duell, Jr., it was written on that the "time is ripe" for Progressive Republicans and Progressives to "rid the state of corrupt conditions" and that the men responsible for such corruption "are not confined to one party."

Syracuse, April 30.—The first witness in the Barnes-Roosevelt suit today was Harvey D. Hinman. He said he remembered what went on in the Senate in 1911 when a United States senator to succeed Chauncey M. Depew was chosen.

Counsel for Col. Roosevelt then read what purported to be a record of the votes candidates received. All the candidates were Democrats except Mr. Depew, Mr. Hinman said.

James A. O'Gorman was victorious. Mr. Hinman then testified to introducing in 1910 the Hinman-Green direct primaries bill in the state senate.

"Did you talk to Governor Hughes about the bill?" "I did."

FACTORY-LABOR BUREAUS TO BE CONSOLIDATED

Hartford, April 30.—A bill was reported to the House today to create a department of labor by consolidation of the present bureau of labor statistics and the state factory inspectors department. It provides for one commissioner whose term shall be four years and whose title shall be that of commissioner of labor and factory inspection. All powers of the present labor commissioner and factory inspector are vested in the new commissioner.

The governor is to make the appointment with the advice and consent of the Senate and he is to make the first appointment before the end of the present legislative session. The bill would become effective on July 1. The ratification of the text of the bill makes changes in the present laws, under which the two departments are conducted to give the conformity under a single commissioner.

A love for beauty, order, and neatness may not persuade a man to clean up his yard, but wait until the neighbors begin to criticize.

Battleships Drop Nineteen High-Calibre Shells on Town on North Coast of France, Inflicting Heavy Damage and Causing Many Casualties —Big Sea Battle Said To Be Imminent.

FORTS ON DARDANELLES ARE SILENCED

British Trawler and Coal Steamer Latest Victims of Submarine Warfare—German Aerial Fleet in Another Raid on East Coast of England, Dropping Many Bombs and Wrecking Houses.

Paris, April 30.—German battleships today shelled the town of Dunkirk, on the northern coast of France.

Official announcement from the War Office this afternoon reported that 20 persons were killed and 45 wounded by high-calibre shells which landed in the town.

Many houses were destroyed and several fires started by the bursting shells.

Nineteen Shells Drop On Town

The strength of the warship fleet is not known. The fleet was first sighted off the coast of Belgium, and it is believed that a big naval battle is impending.

Nineteen shells were dropped on Dunkirk during the short bombardment. Civilians were panic-stricken by the suddenness of the attack and the destruction wrought by the shells.

Big Fleet Reported Mobilized

There have been several despatches in the past week indicating that German warships were at large in the North Sea, evidently having been doing patrol duty in front of the German naval base.

The best report along this line was brought in by Captain Scott of a Swedish steamer, who declared that he had seen in the North Sea a German fleet numbering no less than 68 vessels of all classes, from battleships to torpedo boats.

Dunkirk is within a few miles of the Belgian line. It is at the northern entrance of the English Channel, and is to the east of Dover and to the west of Ostend.

Two British Ships Are Sunk

London, April 30.—The trawler Lily Dale has been sunk by a German submarine in the North Sea, 75 miles off the mouth of the river Tyne. A patrol boat picked up the crew of the trawler and then went in chase of the submarine. The submersible made its escape.

The British steamship which was reported last night to have been sunk by a German submarine off the Isle of Lewis, North Scotland, was identified today as the Mobile, carrying a cargo of coal. The Mobile's crew of 23 men was landed. The crew was given 10 minutes to take to the boats. They drifted about for nine hours before they reached land.

Allies Report Fall of Gallipoli

Paris, April 30.—A despatch from Athens to the Havas Agency says that the city of Gallipoli, on the European side of the Dardanelles near the entrance to the Sea of Marmara, has been captured by the allies.

It is also said that the Turkish fort at Nagara, on the Asiatic side of the straits, has been bombarded heavily.

Aerial Raiders Visit England

London, April 30.—The east coast of England again has been subjected to an aerial attack accompanied by the usual infliction of material damage but without casualties of any sort.

Like former raids this one of last night is marked by differences of opinion as to the type of air machine used by the Germans but most people agree that a Zeppelin carried the raiders, who arrived in the small hours of the morning and spent a brief time over Ipswich and Bury St. Edmunds.

Capture of German Liner Reported

London, April 30.—The British Admiralty made the following statement today: "The German steamship Macedonia which escaped from Las Palmas, Canary Islands, a few weeks ago, has been captured by one of our cruisers."

The Macedonia, a Hamburg-American liner, interned on November 3, and escaped on March 30. She was laden with supplies presumably for German warships.

PROHIBITION FOR ENGLAND OVERSHADOWS NEWS OF WAR

London, April 30.—The air raid, the fighting along the Dardanelles and the report of German warships off Belgium, today, were crowded out of the limelight by the question of liquor regulations in Great Britain and the government for the first time since the beginning of the war, has had to meet a division in the House of Commons.

The attitude of the House probably reflects the opinion of the country which is sharply divided on the question of the necessity of regulating the consumption of alcoholic beverages. Even the Church of England, which made its first official pronouncement at the York convention, resolved to "view with uneasiness" any suggestion of total prohibition. But the strongest opposition comes from Ireland. Some idea of the strength of this opposition to the proposals of the government is indicated by the London correspondent of the Manchester Guardian, a leading government organ, who declares that the measure proposed by Chancellor of the Exchequer Lloyd George will not pass the House.